of the society should also be explored. These views were expressed in his individual capacity.

Submission of Reports by Central Road Research Institute

@189-A DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of reports submitted by the Central Road Research Institute during the last three years and during this year;

(b) the details of recommendations made by it in each of its reports;

(c) the details of the recommendations accepted by Government;

(d) the details of follow-up action taken thereon; and

(e) the details of the recommendations rejected by Government alongwith the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Review and Revision of Support Price of Sugar-Cane

@@189-B DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed and raised the minimum support price for sugar-cane payable to the farmers; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Statutory minimum sugarcane price for 1989-90 sugar season has been increased from Rs. 19.50 in 1988-89 sugar season to Rs. 22|- per quintal linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 per cent.

[The Deputy Chairman in the Chair]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Central Excise and Salt Act, 1944, together with the Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications.

(1) G.S.R. No. 747(E) dated the 11th August, 1989, amending notification No. 23/89 Central Excises dated the 1st March, 1986 so as to extend concessional rate of excise duty to modified poly-phenylene oxide.

(2) G.S.R. No. 750(E) dated the 16th August, 1989, amending notification No. 177/86-Central Excises dated the 1st March, 1986 so as to allow to the users full Modvat credit of duty paid on paper and paper board falling under sub-heading 4811.30 of the Schedule.

(3)G.S.R. No. 751(E) dated the 16th August, 1989, seeking to

@Previously unstarred question No. 290 Transferred from the 27th December, 1989.

@@ Previously Unstarred Question No 435 Transferred from the 29th December, 1989

prescribe a concessional rate of excise duty of ten per cent, *ad valorem* on flax fabrics.

(4) G.S.R. No. 752(E) dated the 16th August, 1989, amending notification No. 193/87-Central Excises dated the 17th August, 1987 prescribing concessional rate of excise duty to certain specified electrically operated vehicles so as to extend its validity upto 31st March, 1992.

(5) G.S.R. No. 756(E) dated the 16th August, 1989, amending notification No. 263/87-Central Excises dated the 10th December, 1987 providing exemption from excise duty on equipment and stores to be used for the systems and sub-systems of the Integrated Guided Missiles.

(6) G.S.R. No. 759(E) dated the 16th August, 1989, exempting excise duty on potassium amide captively used in manufacture of heavy water.

(7) G.S.R. No. 760(E) dated the 16th August, 1989 exempting excise duty on potassium metal produced in heavy water at Baroda and used in manufacture of potassium amide by heavy water plants at Baroda, Tuticorin, Talchar, Thal and Hazira.

(8) G.S.R. No. 801 (E) dated the 1st September, 1989 amending notifications Nos. 140/83 Central Excises dated the 5.5.83; 175/86-Central Excises dated 1.3.86 and 75/87 Central Excises dated 1.3.87 so as to provide for *inter-alia* the exclusion of value of clearance of goods affixed with the brand/trade name of another person who is not eligible for exemption under these notifications, for computing the aggregate value of clearances in a financial year so as to determine the eligibility to avail exemption in the next financial year.

(9) G.S.R. No. 804 (E) dated the 1st September, 1989 amending notification No. 60/88 Central Excises dated the 1st March, 1988 so that the certificate from RNI which was required to be produced before the Assistant Collector of Central Excise having jurisdiction over newspaper establishment for availing the exemption, is now required to be produced before the Assistant Collector of Central Excise having jurisdiction over the newsprint manufacturing unit.

(10) G.S.R. No. 810 (E) dated the 1st September, 1989, amending notification No. 207/87 Central Excises dated the 9th September, 1987 providing full exemption on excise duty to cigarettes supplied for consumption on Board Ships of Indian Navy.

(11) G.S.R. No. 811 (E) dated the 1st September, 1989 amending nitification No. 23/89 Central Excises dated the 1st March, 1989, providing concessional rate of excise duty to cement manufactured by factories with total licenced capacity not exceeding 200 tonnes per day.

(12) G.S.R. No. 838(E) dated the 18th September, 1989 amending notification No. 133/86 Central Excises dated the 1st March, 1986 so as to change the description of "polystrene" occuring in Sl. No. 1 of the Notification to "polystyrene and copolymers of Styrene".

(13) G.S.R. No. 850(E), dated the 21st September, 1989, waiving excise duty on A.D.V. tyres of sizes 4"x8", and 3.5"x8", measured in terms of cross-sectional width x rim diameter and falling under sub-heading No. 4011.10 of the Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985 (5 of 1986) for the period from 1st March, 1988 to 28th February, 1989

[Placed in Library *See* No. LT-9/89 for (1) to (13)]

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under secton 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Customs Act, 1962, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:—

(1) G.S.R. No. 726(E), dated the 13th September, 1989, amending notification No. 45/89-Non-Tariff Customs, dated the 4th August, 1989, laying down the revised rate of exchange for conversion of Pound Sterling into Indian currency or vice-versa.

(2) G.S.R. No. 746(E) dated the 11th August, 1989 amending notification No. 48/89-Customs, dated the 1st March, 1989, so as to extend concessional rate of basic customs duty of 30% *ad valorem* to modified polyphenylene oxide.

(3) G.S.R. No. 753(E) dated the 16th August, 1989 amending notification No. 297/87-Customs, dated the 17th August, 1987 which provides a concessional rate of customs duty on components imported for the manufacture of electrically operated vehicles.

(4) G.S.R. No. 754(E) dated the 16th August, 1989 amending notification No. 224/85-Customs, dated the 9th July, 1985', which seeks to withdraw customs duty concession available for certain items.

(5) G.S.R. No. 758(E) dated the 16th August, 1989 amending notification No. 40/89-Customs, dated the 1st March, 1989 which prescribes concessional basic customs duty of 25% and exempts whole of additional duty on specified chemicals imported for manufacture of poultry feeds.

(6) G.S.R. No. 672(E) dated the 21st August, 1989 which seeks to provide concessional rate of basic customs duty of 55% *ad-valorem* and auxiliary 5% *ad valorem* on dead burnt magnesite of specified grades.

(7) G. S. R. No. 673(E) dated the 21st August, 1989 amending notification No. 161/89-Customs dated the 12th May, 1989, which seeks to provide concessional rate of basic customs duty of 55% *ad valorem* and auxiliary 5% *ad valorem* on dead burnt magnesite of specified grades.

(8) G.S.R. No. 777(E) dated the 23rd August, 1989, amending notification No. 148/88-Customs, dated the 27th April, 1988 which seeks to extend the benefit of 35% basic duty plus nil additional duty on imported outboard motors for fitment to fishing boats prsently available to state Fisheries Corporation or Fisheries Co-operative Federation.

(9) G.S.R. No. 778(E) dated the 23rd August, 1989 which seeks to prescribe 35% basic customs duty and nil additional duty on lyophilizers imported for manufacture of antibiotics subject to certain conditions.

(10) G.S.R. No. 779(E) dated the 23rd August, 1989 amending notification No. 161/89-Customs dated the 12th May, 1989, which seeks to prescribe auxiliary duty of 5% on goods.

(11) G.S.R. No. 781(E) dated the 25th August, 1989 amending notification No. 247/84-Customs, dated the 27th September, 1984 so as to increase with effect from 1st October, 1989 the value of duty free limit for the import of

components for fishing trawlers from 20% to 30% of trawlers.

(12) G.S.R. No. 800(E) dated the 1st September, 1989 amending notification No. 64/89-Customs dated the 6th March, 1979 which seeks to delete Dicyanadiamide and Guanidine Nitrate from the list of goods eligible for concessional rate of basic customs duty.

(13) G.S.R. No. 802(2) dated the 1st September, 1989, which seeks to amend notification No. 47/89-Customs dated the 1st March, 1989 so as to increase the basic customs duty on low density polyethylene based sheathing compound or insulation compound from Rs. 2000 per tonne to 50 per cent *ad valorem*.

(14) G.S.R. No. 803(E) dated the 1st September, 1989 which seeks to exempt newsprint for printing of newspapers, books and periodicals from the whole of the additional duty of customs (CVD) when imported into India.

(15) G.S.R. No. 840(E) dated the 18th September, 1989 amending notification No. 47. 47/89-Costoms, dated the 1st March, 1989 so as to change the description of "polystyrene and coplymers of styrene".

(16) G.S.R. No. 841(E) dated the 18th September, 1989 which seeks to exempt concentrated dispersions of colouring matters in polypropylene, (Polypropylene Master Barch), from basic customs duty in excess of 70 per *ad valorem* subject to certain conditions.

[Placed in Library. See No. LT-10/89 for (1) to (16)].

I. Report and Accounts (1988-89) of the Bureau of Indian Standards, New Delhi and related papers.

II. Notifications of the Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies.

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under section 23 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986:—

(i) Annual Report and Accounts of the Bureau of Indian Standards, New Delhi, for the year 1988-89, together with the Audit Report on the Accounts.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the Bureau.

[Placed in Library. See No. LT. 55/89 for (i) and (iii)]

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955:—

(i) S.O. No. 634(E), dated the 11th August, 1989, publishing the Pulses, Edible Oilseeds and Edible Oils (Storage Control) Fourth Amendment Order, 1989.

(ii) G.S.R. No. 767(E), dated the 18th August, 1989, publishing the Solvent-Extracted Oil, De-oiled Meal and Edible Flour (Control) Amendment Order, 1989.

(iii) G.S.R. No. 900(E), dated the 17th October, 1989, publishing the Sugar (Price Determination for 1989-90 Production) Order, 1989.

(iv) G.S.R. No. 813, dated the 4th November, 1989, publishing the Sugar (Price Determination for 1989-90 production) Amendment Order, 1989.

[Placed in Library. See No. LT. 16/89 for (i) to (iv)].

III. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies (Department of